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Mr. SPEAKER :—" How can I allow the hon. Member to put a supplementary on every question? There are a number of questions and I have to cover all of them within this one hour."

Sri S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" Sir, on a point of order. There are a few important questions and I suggest that you may be pleased to give us some time for putting supplementaries on them. Otherwise, the valuable time available for us to put supplementaries could not be availed of, Sir. So . . ."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" I know that. But, the hon. Member must remember that I have to cover all these questions in one hour and I cannot encroach upon the time of the Government which they would like to utilize for consideration of the Demands."

Sri S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" Sir, not even a second passes when you pass over one question and go to the other question."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" I know to which questions I must give time for supplementaries and to which questions I need not. Let not the hon. Member try to teach me as to what I should do and what I should not. I now pass on to the next question."

Adulteration of foodstuffs and drinks.

* 314 *Q.*—Sri K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the number of cases of adulteration of foodstuffs and drinks that ended in conviction in 1952 and the amount of fine realised therefrom?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" The total number of convictions is 5,723. The amount of fine realized is Rs. 2,17,619."

Sri K. ARANGANATHAN :—" In the City as well as mufassal hotels, adulteration of oils and other foodstuffs is going on unchecked; and the steps that the Government have so far taken to prevent this as well as to see that perfect sanitary conditions prevail in them have not yet produced the desired results. May I know whether the Government will act vigilantly in future and see that such adulteration is checked? "

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" There is a Bill before the Parliament regarding the prevention of adulteration of foodstuffs and that Bill provides for deterrent punishment, Sir."

Employment through the Employment Exchanges in Malabar and South Kanara.

10-20 a.m. * 315 *Q.*—Sri M. S. MOGRAL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of persons who registered themselves for employment in the Employment Exchanges in Malabar and South Kanara during the year 1953; and

(*b*) the number of persons who got employed through the Employment Exchanges in those districts during that year?

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THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (*a*) The number of persons registered in the Employment Exchanges in Malabar is 12,889 and in that of South Kanara (Mangalore) is 4,278.

" (*b*) The number of persons placed in employment by the Employment Exchange in Malabar is 3,819 and in South Kanara (Mangalore) 775."

SRI M. S. MOGRAL :—" May I know, Sir, whether it is a fact that systematic procedure is not followed in securing employment according to priority of registrations? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" If the hon. Member would give me information about specific instances, I shall look into the matter."

SRI M. PALANIYANDI :—" ஸார், தனிப்பட்ட ஸ்தாபனங்களிலும் மத்திய அரசாங்க ஸ்தாபனங்களிலும் கூட எம்ப்ளாய்மெண்ட் எக்ஸ்சேஞ்சு சிபார்சு செய்யும் ஆட்களை எடுத்துக்கொள்வதில்லை. ஆகவே தனிப்பட்ட ஸ்தாபனங்களிலும் மத்திய அரசாங்க ஸ்தாபனங்களாகிய போஸ்டல், ரயில்வே முதலிய ஸ்தாபனங்களிலும் எம்ப்ளாய்மெண்ட் எக்ஸ்சேஞ்சு கொடுக்கும் ஆட்களை எடுத்துக்கொள்வதற்கு இந்த அரசாங்கம் நிர்ப்பந்திக்குமா? இல்லா விட்டால் எம்ப்ளாய்மெண்ட் எக்ஸ்சேஞ்சு இருப்பது நியாயம் இல்லை."

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, there are now proposals before the Central Government and the Madras Government for the reorganization of these Employment Exchanges, so that their work may be made more effective and less criticized. When the proposals are completed, I think hon. Members will have no complaint."

SRI O. KORAN :—" Sir, may I know the number of Harijans employed through these Exchanges in North Malabar during 1953? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, I have no ready information. If a separate question is put, I shall try to answer."

SRI S. C. C. ANTHONY PILLAI :—" Sir, is it the practice of the Government, when employing workers, to get them through these Employment Exchanges? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Yes, Sir, sometimes."

SRI M. R. RAMACHANDRAN :—" Sir, is it a fact that large industrial concerns have no belief in the candidates suggested or recommended by these Employment Exchanges? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, large industrial concerns are under no such obligation. However, they are advised in this matter."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" From the figures given by the Hon. Minister, will he be pleased to state the number of applicants who have technical qualifications and those with other ordinary qualifications? "

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THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I am sorry I have no separate figures of that with me. If a separate question is put, I shall furnish them."

SRI M. PALANIYANDI :—" Sir, எம்ப்ளாய்மெண்ட் எக்ஸ்சேஞ்சு ஆட்களைக்கொடுத்தால் தனிப்பட்ட ஸ்தாபனங்கள் எடுத்துக்கொள்வது இல்லை. ஆனால் வேலை நிறுத்தம் செய்தால் அதைப்பற்றி உடனே எழுதி விடுகிறார்கள். அதன் காரணமாக தொழிலாளர்கள் எம்ப்ளாய்மெண்ட் எக்ஸ்சேஞ்சினிடம் நம்பிக்கை இல்லாமல் இருக்கிறார்கள். இதைத் தடுப்பதற்கு அரசாங்கம் முன் வருமா ? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, we appeal to all big employers to recruit through the Employment Exchange and whenever we get applications, we forward them. It is a matter of co-operation and if that is not forthcoming, how is Government responsible? "

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" தனிப்பட்ட முதலாளிகளை எம்ப்ளாய்மெண்ட் எக்ஸ்சேஞ்சு கட்டுப்படுத்த முடியாது என்றும், ஆனால் வேண்டிக்கொள்ளுகிறோம் என்றும் மந்திரி அவர்கள் சொன்னார்கள். எம்ப்ளாய்மெண்ட் எக்ஸ்சேஞ்சு சிபார்சு செய்யும் தொழிலாளர்களைத்தான் பெரிய முதலாளிகள் எடுத்துக்கொள்ளவேண்டும் என்று ஏன் ஒரு சட்டம் கொண்டுவரக்கூடாது ? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, all these people are not labourers. There are many other categories and, therefore, such compulsion cannot be made."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Sir, will the Government be pleased to instruct local bodies like the Corporation of Madras to recruit only candidates suggested by the Employment Exchange, since it is not the practice with the Corporation of Madras now? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" We expect all local bodies and big employers to respond to our appeals, but our appeals sometimes fall on deaf ears."

SRI A. GOVINDASWAMY NAYAGAR :—" நம்முடைய ராஜ்ய சர்க்காரில் ஏற்படுகின்ற காலி இடங்களுக்கு மத்திய சர்க்கார் நடத்தும் எம்ப்ளாய்மெண்ட் எக்ஸ்சேஞ்சு மூலமாக ஏன் வேலை கொடுக்கவேண்டும் ? ராஜ்ய சர்க்காரே இதை நடத்துவதற்கு ஏன் முன்வரக்கூடாது ? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, at the present moment, these Employment Exchanges are the products of the Government of India. As I have just now mentioned, there are proposals to reorganize them, giving local Government more powers in the management, in the selection and administration of these Exchanges. When that proposal is put through, hon. Members will have less complaint."

SRI S. C. C. ANTHONY PILLAI :—" Sir, an ounce of practice is worth a ton of preaching. When the Government themselves do not normally recruit through these Exchanges, where is the purpose in appealing to private employers to employ through these Exchanges? Will the Government give an assurance that in future, normally, they would be recruiting through these Exchanges? For

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instance, the Transport Service in the Madras City does not generally recruit through the Exchanges. Then what is the purpose in appealing to other employers? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" In Government Service, much of the recruitment is done through the Madras Public Service Commission and, therefore, there is very little chance of Government employing through these Exchanges. We are striking a golden mean between these and trying our best."

SRI K. PARTHASARATHY :—" Sir, is it not a fact that the number of persons registered with these Employment Exchanges form a very small percentage of the total number of persons unemployed and if so, is it not a fact that insistence on employing only persons registered with these Exchanges will inflict a hardship on the persons who are still unemployed on a large-scale? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" We have no figures, Sir, to show what percentage of the total unemployed is catered for by these Exchanges. But my hon. Friend is giving a statement in reply to the question of the hon. Member Sri Anthony Pillai."

DR. K. B. MENON :—" Sir, in a country where there is a surplus of labour much in excess of the demand, can an Employment Bureau be effective in its service and is not expenditure on the maintenance of that Employment Bureau a waste of money? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, so far as the second portion of the question is concerned, I can say that the matter of effecting economy in the administration of these Employment Exchanges is now under the consideration of both the Governments. What was the first part of the hon. Member's question, Sir?

DR. K. B. MENON :—" My first question was whether in a country where there is a surplus of labour, that is, where the supply of labour far exceeds the demand, can an Employment Bureau serve effectively? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, it may not be possible to make a hundred per cent success. But twenty per cent is better than no per cent at all."

SRI C. RAJAM RAMASAMY :—" Sir, is the Hon. Minister aware of the general complaint that unless one pays money, one cannot get employment through these Exchanges? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I am not aware of that complaint, Sir. If the hon. Member gives specific instances, I shall certainly look into them."

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SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Are Government receiving periodical reports on the progress of securing employment by these Exchanges? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Yes, Sir."

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN :—" Sir, may I know whether the Hon. Minister is satisfied with the working of and service rendered by these Employment Exchanges. If he is at least satisfied, will the Government send a request to the Employment Exchange to reserve certain candidates for these local bodies, instead of sending requests to private agencies? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" As I said already, these Employment Exchanges are under the Government of India. They are completely reorganising it and trying to help the State Government. I have no information whether they are not satisfied with these organisations. It is not under my control."

Construction of roads in Gingee taluk.

* 316 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state when the roads from—

(i) Jayankondan to Puthur;

(ii) Semmedu to Nallampillaipethal; and

(iii) Semmedu to Vettavalam,

in Gingee taluk, South Arcot district, will be constructed?

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" (i) The work of forming a road from Jayankondan to Puthur is included in the Five-Year Plan of Road Development. The District Board is now attending to the preliminaries connected with the acquisition of lands for the work. The District Board is likely to take up the work for execution as early as possible.

" (ii) and (iii) The work of forming the road from Semmedu to Nallampillaipethal is part of the road from Semmedu to Vettavalem which comes within the scope of Post-War Road Development but has not been included in the five-year plan."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" Sir, in spite of the request and agitation by the people for the formation of these two roads, and even though the District Board has taken the necessary steps for the acquisition of roads from Jayankondan to Puthur, this proposal is pending with the Government for more than 2 or 3 years and there is no sign of the work being started immediately. May I know when these two roads will be taken up for construction, Sir? "

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" The hon. Member represented this matter to me about two or three months back. The matter is being expedited."